

CURBSTONE MARKETS.

To the Editor of the Evening Telegraph. On the 17th of April, 1861, the Legislature of Pennsylvania enacted a law that resulted in driving almost every farmer from the curbstones of our city, and in their place gave as a class of butchers residing in the city, known as skinners, who are now, together with hucksters, the only occupants of these markets.

In confirmation of this, let any one curious in such matters visit the slaughter-houses scattered all over the Girard estate, north-west Monument Cemetery. These men buy up all the cheap aged cattle, infant veal, a week or two old, and lambs they can find, and retail them upon the pavements on Second street. There are also a number of men who own farms, who find it very profitable to employ from one to six men each, who act as their agents in selling such meat upon the streets.

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Governor Geary. THE PRESSURE FOR THE RESIGNATION OF EATON AND TWITCHELL—THE COUNTER-PRESSURE FOR THEIR EXECUTION—THE COMMUTATION VETO. Yesterday, in our telegrams from Harrisburg, we gave some interesting information relative to the Eaton and Twitchell cases.

It will be recalled that the Legislature hurriedly passed an act that gave the Governor the right to commute the death penalty to imprisonment for life. It was this afternoon vetoed by his Excellency for reasons set forth hereafter.

Another correspondent says:—To have this important act—the most important that has been passed for many years—spring upon the community, is one of those many legislative outrages which have done so much to bring the name of the Legislature almost into contempt.

MEMORANDA. Ship Bombay, Jordan, hence, was up at San Francisco 17th ult. for Liverpool. Ship Hercules, Lincoln, hence, remained at San Francisco 17th ult.

benevolence of the State, but the commutation is an exercise of judicial discrimination. The bill is in accordance with the recommendations in the last Governor's message, which were simply that power should be given to relieve particular cases, which had been in prison under sentence of death for many years.

The President's Proclamation. The following proclamation was issued this afternoon:—By the President of the United States.

By the President of the United States. A PROCLAMATION. Whereas, Objects of interest to the United States require that the Senate should be convened at 12 o'clock on the 12th day of April, 1869, to receive and act upon such communications as may be made to it on the part of the Executive.

Now, therefore, I, U. S. Grant, President of the United States, have considered it to be my duty to issue this proclamation, declaring that an extraordinary occasion requires the Senate of the United States to convene for the transaction of business on the 12th day of April, in the year of our Lord 1869, at 12 o'clock noon on that day, of which all who shall at that time be entitled to act as members of that body are hereby required to take notice.

By the President. U. S. GRANT. HAMILTON FISH, Secretary of State. The extra session is called to act upon the nomination of public officers.

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Horrible to relate, his sentence could not be carried out to Reunion, and he had to be "taken to the place whence he came" to be executed. He was put on board a war ship, and a long, miserable buck commenced there. There was a general outburst of sympathy in Reunion. The process of carrying a criminal this immense distance to be put to death appeared much more like inhumanity than justice.

MARINE TELEGRAPH.

ALMANAC FOR PHILADELPHIA—THIS DAY. SUN RISES.....6:30 MOON RISES.....5:28 SUN SETS.....8:24 HIGH WATER.....12:30

CLEARED YESTERDAY. Steamship Tomlinson, Savannah, Philadelphia and Southern Mail Steamship Co. Brig James Baker, Pohn, Carlema. Sch'r F. J. B. Baker, Pohn, Carlema.

ARRIVED YESTERDAY. Steamship Florida, Fremantle, 24 hours from New York with cargo to John E. O'Neil. Sch'r Anna B. Hayes, Lord, New York, Lennox & Souder.

Abbie Barley, Parker, from Rockport for Philadelphia, sailed from Newport 9th inst. Sch'r E. H. Davidson, Vase, for Philadelphia, cleared at Wilmington, N. C., 7th inst, with 45 bales cotton, 11,000 lbs sugar, 100,000 lbs shingles, and 12 tons iron.

Sch'r Isaac Rich, Crowell, Argonia, Col., West Wind, Landon, Boston, Nickerson, Ephraim & Anna, Green, Eva Bell, Barrett, and F. Nickerson, Kelley, hence, at Boston 10th inst. Sch'r T. Simons, Winmore, hence, at Richmond 7th inst.

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GEORGE FLOWMAN, CARPENTER AND BUILDER, No. 134 DOCK Street, Philadelphia. PROPOSALS. DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS, BRIDGES, SEWERS, ETC. OFFICE OF CHIEF COMMISSIONER, No. 104 S. FIFTH STREET.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS. Sealed Proposals will be received at the office of the Chief Commissioner of Highways until 12 o'clock M., on MONDAY, the 12th inst., for the following three lots of sewers, viz:—On Third street, between Race and Branch streets; Warren street, between Thirtieth and Thirty-eighth streets; and on the lot of William A. Mott, on Lancaster street, from Market to Thirtieth street, and on Tasker street, from Sixth to Seventh street.

When the street is occupied by a City Passenger Railroad track, the sewer shall be constructed along side of said track in such manner as not to obstruct or interfere with the safe passage of the cars thereon; and no claim for remuneration shall be paid the contractor by the company using said track, as specified in Act of Assembly approved May 8, 1866.

OFFICE OF ASSISTANT COMMISSIONARY SUBSISTENCE. FRANKFORD ARSENAL, April 7, 1869. Sealed proposals, in duplicate, will be received by the undersigned at this office until 12 M., April 24, 1869, for furnishing the troops stationed at Frankford Arsenal with FRESH BEEF, of a good marketable quality, in equal proportions of fore and hind-quarters, excluding heads, shanks, and kidney tails; the beef to be delivered free of cost to the troops in such quantities and on such days as may be from time to time required by the proper authority, and to continue in full force six months, or such less time as the Commissionary-General shall direct, and subject to his approval, commencing on the 1st day of May, 1869.

FERTILIZERS. BAUGH & SONS, No. 90 S. DELAWARE AVENUE. This Fertilizer can be had of all Agricultural Dealers in this city or country. 3 1/2 tinstm

BOARDING. AT NO. 121 GIRARD STREET MAY BE obtained fresh and unfurnished rooms for lodgers. Board also, if desired. 211

FIRE AND BURGLAR PROOF SAFE CHAMPION SAFES! PHILADELPHIA, January 18, 1869. Messrs. FARREL, HERRING & CO., No. 629 Chesnut street.

Gentlemen:—On the night of the 13th inst., as is well known to the citizens of Philadelphia, our large and extensive store and valuable stock of merchandise, No. 902 Chesnut street, was burned.

THE ONLY SAFES EXPOSED TO THE FIRE IN CALDWELL'S STORE WERE FARREL, HERRING & CO. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 18, 1869. Messrs. FARREL, HERRING & CO., No. 629 Chesnut street.

Gentlemen:—On the night of the 13th inst. our large store, S. W. corner of Ninth and Chesnut streets, was, together with our heavy stock of wall papers, entirely destroyed by fire.

STILL ANOTHER. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 18, 1869. Messrs. FARREL, HERRING & CO., No. 629 Chesnut street.

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